

State of South Dakota

EIGHTY-SIXTH SESSION LEGISLATIVE ASSEMBLY, 2011

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SENATE COMMEMORATION NO. 2

Introduced by: Senators Frerichs, Adelstein, Begalka, Bradford, Brown, Buhl, Fryslye, Garnos, Gray, Hansen (Tom), Haverly, Heineman, Holien, Hundstad, Hunhoff (Jean), Johnston, Kraus, Lederman, Maher, Nelson (Tom), Novstrup (Al), Nygaard, Olson (Russell), Peters, Putnam, Rampelberg, Rave, Rhoden, Schlekeway, Sutton, Tidemann, Tieszen, and Vehle and Representatives Rausch, Abdallah, Blake, Bolin, Boomgarden, Brunner, Carson, Conzet, Cronin, Deelstra, Dennert, Dryden, Elliott, Fargen, Feickert, Feinstein, Gibson, Gosch, Greenfield, Haggard, Hansen (Jon), Hawley, Hickey, Hoffman, Hubbel, Hunhoff (Bernie), Hunt, Iron Cloud III, Jensen, Jones, Juhnke, Kirkeby, Kirschman, Kloucek, Kopp, Liss, Lucas, Lust, Magstadt, Miller, Moser, Munsterman, Nelson (Stace), Novstrup (David), Olson (Betty), Perry, Romkema, Rozum, Russell, Schaefer, Sigdestad, Sly, Solum, Steele, Street, Stricherz, Tornow, Tulson, Turbiville, Van Gerpen, Vanneman, Venner, Verchio, White, Wick, Willadsen, Wink, and Wismer

A LEGISLATIVE COMMEMORATION, Commending and honoring United States Representative Gabrielle Giffords, United States District Court Judge John Roll, and all those who lost their lives and demonstrated courage in light of the tragedy that occurred in Tucson, Arizona on Saturday, January 8, 2011.

WHEREAS, on Saturday, January 8, 2011, a gunman opened fire on a constituent outreach event sponsored and attended by Representative Giffords, District Judge Roll, and a number of constituents; and

WHEREAS, Judge Roll, Christina Taylor Green, Dorothy Morris, Phyllis Schneck, Dorwin Stoddard, and Gabriel Zimmerman lost their lives in the shooting, and Representative Giffords and thirteen others suffered severe injuries; and

WHEREAS, numerous individuals on-scene demonstrated exemplary bravery in the face of great danger in bringing to an end the tragedy by disarming the gunman including Bill Badger, a former Pierre resident, who helped tackle the gunman, as well as those who provided aid to those injured:

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT COMMEMORATED, by the Eighty-sixth Legislature of the State of South Dakota, that Representative Giffords, Judge Roll, and all those who were killed or injured as well as the heroes that brought a halt to the tragedy and provided aid to those injured be honored for their courage and their services to the United States.